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Mr. Kevin Keith, P.E.  
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The Honorable Steve Ehlmann  
St. Charles County Executive  
Executive Office Building  
100 North Third Street, Suite 318  
St. Charles, MO 63301

Dear Mr. Keith and County Executive Ehlmann:

As the Chairman of **Partners for Progress of Greater St. Charles**, I am writing on behalf of major investors and stakeholders in our county. The members of Partners for Progress, listed on the side of the letterhead, have come together to have an organized voice with the core purpose being "to influence community progress so that people, businesses and institutions flourish."

Our membership includes top executives from companies that have a major stake in the long-term success of St. Charles County and indeed, the region. We believe that by coming together as a group and pooling resources, we can be most effective in the development of public policy solutions. Transportation funding has been our top priority from the group's inception.

I would like to offer my support on behalf of completing Missouri Route 364 (Page Avenue) for which MoDOT and St. Charles County are seeking to secure a TIGER (Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery) Grant.

Missouri Route 364 will complete a missing link in the region's transportation network, which has been planned and supported by local, regional, and state transportation authorities for 40 years. The completion of this project will:

- Reduce congestion and greenhouse gas emissions on Interstate 70, a transcontinental highway, and Interstate 64;
- Enhance mobility to and from economically distressed areas by improving transportation choices;
- Provide motorists with an alternative route during inspection and maintenance of the other Missouri River bridges;
- Enhance system operations when the deck on the Missouri River bridge on Interstate 70 is replaced (\$70 million, scheduled in 2012) and during the bridge replacement on Interstate 64 (planned);
- Provide a freeway connector from Interstate 270 to Interstate 64;
- Facilitate more efficient freight movement on Interstate 70;
- Provide better access for the region's employment pool to employment opportunities and retraining facilities; and
- Foster long term economic growth in underutilized properties.

Thank you for your continued ongoing initiatives to provide responsive, innovative and cost effective services to the citizens of St. Charles County, the greater St. Louis region, the State of Missouri, and the Nation.

Sincerely,

Darrell Roegner  
Chairman of the Board of Directors

*The purpose of Partners for Progress of Greater St. Charles is to influence community progress so that people, businesses and institutions flourish. Our audacious goal is to make the St. Charles region a nationally renowned most livable community.*